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1. Vladimir Dedijer believes that the whole action taken against him was inspired by the Russians, who wish to get rid of all outspoken anti-Cominformists in the Yugoslav Communist ranks. In addition to himself, and Milovan Djilas, Dedijer believes that the following are scheduled for purging: Mitra Mitrovic, former wife of Djilas, Peko Dapcevic, and Branko Draskevic, chief of the Press Office of the State Secretariat for Foreign Affairs. Draskevic is an old friend and associate of Dapcevic.
2. According to Dedijer, the Soviets are particularly anxious to get at Dapcevic, whom they unsuccessfully tried to buy off prior to 1948. They did succeed, however, in buying off his brother.

☐ Comment: It is possible that Dedijer, who is not always emotionally stable, resents the action against him so much that he is using any means to fight the Yugoslav Communist leaders.

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